THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MNISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The objective of the study which would cover the various industrial estates/area/park and growth centres scheme, is to give a good understanding of Investment Promotion Zone Schemes of the countries mentioned.

(c) Price Water House has not yet submitted the final report.

Conference of Joint National Trade and Development Council

2001. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a conference of the Joint National Trade and Deveopment Council was held in Delhi recently;

(b) if so, what were the issues discussed and the outcome thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction of Government with regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) The Government are not aware of any such Conference.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Threat by AIBTMF to stop manufacture of bricks and tiles

2002. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that All India Bricks and Tile Manufacturers Federation has threatened to stop the manufacturing of bricks and tiles in all units running all over the country from 1994;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps have been taken/proposed to be taken by Government to resolve the issues involved;

(c) whether Government propose to take up or have taken up any research work to find new methods of manufacturing bricks/tiles; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof stating the achievements if any, made in this direction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES) (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) and (b) According to the All India Bricks and Tiles Manufacturing Federation, their Managing Committee in its meeting held on 31st July, 1993 resolved that in case Ministry of Coal and Coal India Limited do not restore their demand for the supply 33% good quality coal, they would be forced to close down manufacturing of bricks from the season year 1994.

A representation has been received from AIBTMF demanding:

— Shifting the item "Brick & Tile" from category C to B for the allotment of wagons,

— Supply of higher grade of Coal, and

— Recognition of Brick & Tile Industry as Small Scale Industry.

The matter regarding shifting "Bricks and Tiles" from Category C to B for allotment of wagons is under the consideration of the Ministry of Railways. Ministry of coal has already allowed 'D' grade and below coal against the earlier supply of E and F grade coal. Government has already recognised brick and tile industry as Small Scale Industry eligible for all facilities and concessions as are admissible to small scale industry.

(c) and (d) National Research Institutes like Central Building Research Institute, Regional Research Laboratories are engaged in the research and development

work on bricks and tiles for improving the quality and productivity of bricks and tiles.

Central Building Research Institute (CBRI) has developed an extrusion machine and High Drought Kiln for processing and firing bricks which can produce better quality bricks and save fuels (Coal) required for burning. Improved method, for table moulding, manufacture of bricks from unsuitable soils like black cotton soils, saline etc. have been developed by CBRI.

Utilisation of land owned by salt department in Bombay

2003. SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Salt Department has large tract of land under its ownership in Bombay.

(b) if so, the total area owned by the Salt Department;

(c) what are the details of unused open land and what are its locations;

(d) whether it is a fact that Government have received representations to allot these lands to Cooperative Housing societies;

(e) if so, which are the Organisations that have applied for such land;

(f) how many Organisations have been allotted these lands; and

(g) what action Government have taken on each of the representations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (g) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

2004. [*Transferred to 21st December, 1993*]

Rise in Foreign Investment

2005. SHRI IQBAL SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared total foreign investment of Rs. 10410 crore during the post-policy period;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether there has been any rise in investment firm the US and the UK Governments; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and what is Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPTT. OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT) AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY) (SMT. KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During the post-policy period, Government have cleared 1423 proposals for foreign direct investment envisaging foreign direct investment of Rs. 10410 crores till the end of September, 1993.

The details of foreign investment proposals cleared viz. name of the Indian company, name of the foreign collaborator, item of manufacture and amount of foreign investment involved in each proposal are published by the Indian Investment Centre as a supplement to their monthly News-letter and copies of these are regularly supplied to the Parliament Library.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Details of Foreign Investment proposals cleared for US and UK firms are as under:—

(In crores of Rupees)

	USA	UK
1990 . . .	34.48	9.06
1991 . . .	185.85	32.10
1992 . . .	1231.50	117.67
1993 . . .	2894.80	587.76